# BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation	)	
Against:	)	
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ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D.	)	Case No. 16-2012-226114
	)	
Physician's and Surgeon's	)	
Certificate No. A 100532	)	
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Respondent	)	
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### **DECISION**

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on April 20, 2016.

IT IS SO ORDERED April 13, 2016.

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

Kimberly Kirchmeyer

**Executive Director** 

1	KAMALA D. HARRIS						
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 16-2012-226114					
12	ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D.						
13 14	300 W. Clarendon Avenue, Suite 240 Phoenix, AZ 85013	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND ORDER					
15	Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A100532						
16	Respondent.						
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18	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGE	REED by and between the parties to the above-					
19	entitled proceedings that the following matters as	re true:					
20	<u>PARTIES</u>						
21	Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant	) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board					
22	of California. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this						
23	matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Emily L. Brinkman,						
24	Deputy Attorney General.						
25	2. Adam William Levinson, M.D. (Res	pondent) is represented in this proceeding by					
26	attorney Paul J. Giancola, whose address is: Sne	ll & Wilmer LLP, 400 East Van Buren Street,					
27	Suite 1900, Phoenix, AZ 85004-2202.						
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3. On or about June 22, 2007, the Medical Board of California issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A100532 to Adam William Levinson, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 16-2012-226114 and will expire on May 31, 2017, unless renewed.

#### **JURISDICTION**

4. Accusation No. 16-2012-226114 was filed before the Medical Board of California (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on December 30, 2015. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 16-2012-226114 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

### **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 16-2012-226114. Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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### **CULPABILITY**

- 8. Respondent does not contest that, at an administrative hearing, complainant could establish a prima facie case with respect to the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 16-2012-226114 and that he has thereby subjected his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A100532 to disciplinary action.
- 9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate without further process.

### **CONTINGENCY**

- 10. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Medical Board of California. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Medical Board of California may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 11. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 12. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

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### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A100532, issued to Respondent Adam William Levinson, M.D., is surrendered and accepted by the Medical Board of California.

- 1. The surrender of Respondent's Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Medical Board of California.
- 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Physician and Surgeon in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board his pocket license and, if one was issued, his wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 16-2012-226114 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 5. If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation, No. 16-2012-226114 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>
I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order and have fully
discussed it with my attorney, Paul J. Giancola. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will
have on my Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of
License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the
Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California.
DATED: 3/31/16  ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D.
Respondent
I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Adam William Levinson, M.D. the terms
and conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I
approve its form and content.
DATED: 3/31/16 Day J. &
PAUL J. GIANCOLA Attorney for Respondent
ENDORSEMENT
The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted
for consideration by the Medical Board of California of the Department of Consumer Affairs.
Dated: Wil 4, 2016 Respectfully submitted, KAMALA D. HARRIS
KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California Jose R. Guerrero

Supervising Deputy Attorney General

EMILYL! BRINKMAN Deputy Autorney General Attorneys for Complainant

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### Exhibit A

**Accusation No. 16-2012-226114** 

**FILED** STATE OF CALIFORNIA MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA KAMALA D. HARRIS SACRAMENTO DECEMBER 3C 2015 Attorney General of California 2 Jose R. Guerrero Supervising Deputy Attorney General 3 EMILY L. BRINKMAN Deputy Attorney General State Bar No. 219400 4 455 Golden Gate Avenue, Suite 11000 5 San Francisco, CA 94102-7004 Telephone: (415) 703-5742 Facsimile: (415) 703-5480 6 E-mail: Emily.Brinkman@doj.ca.gov 7 Attorneys for Complainant 8 **BEFORE THE** MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA 9 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 Case No. 16-2012-226114 In the Matter of the Accusation Against: ACCUSATION 12 Adam William Levinson, M.D. 300 W. Clarendon Avenue, Suite 240 13 Phoenix, AZ 85013 14 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A100532, 15 Respondent. 16 17 Complainant alleges: 18 19 **PARTIES** Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official 20 capacity as the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer 21 22 Affairs (Board). On or about June 22, 2007, the Medical Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's 2. 23 Certificate Number A100532 to Adam William Levinson, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's 24 and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought 25 herein and will expire on May 31, 2017, unless renewed. 26 27 /// 28 ///

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#### **JURISDICTION**

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 2227 of the Code provides that a licensee who is found guilty under the Medical Practice Act may have his or her license revoked, suspended for a period not to exceed one year, placed on probation and required to pay the costs of probation monitoring, or such other action taken in relation to discipline as the Board deems proper.
  - 5. Section 2305 of the Code states:

"The revocation, suspension, or other discipline, restriction or limitation imposed by another state upon a license or certificate to practice medicine issued by that state, or the revocation, suspension, or restriction of the authority to practice medicine by any agency of the federal government, that would have been grounds for discipline in California of a licensee under this chapter [Chapter 5, the Medical Practice Act] shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct against the licensee in this state."

- 6. Section 141 of the Code states:
- "(a) For any licensee holding a license issued by a board under the jurisdiction of the department, a disciplinary action taken by another state, by any agency of the federal government, or by another country for any act substantially related to the practice regulated by the California license, may be a ground for disciplinary action by the respective state licensing board. A certified copy of the record of the disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or another country shall be conclusive evidence of the events related therein.
- "(b) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from applying a specific statutory provision in the licensing act administered by that board that provides for discipline based upon a disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or another country."

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#### CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

### (Discipline, Restriction, or Limitations Imposed by Another State)

- 7. On or about June 19, 2015, The New York State Department of Health, State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (New York Board) issued a Consent Agreement (Agreement) against Respondent. The basis of the New York Board's Agreement followed Respondent's guilty plea to a felony for unlawful surveillance in the Supreme Court of the State of New York. Respondent was placed on criminal probation for five years. As part of the Agreement, the New York Board suspended Respondent from practicing medicine for 36 months, but stayed the suspension. The New York Board then placed Respondent on probation for 60 months with various terms and conditions, including that he be monitored by the Office of Professional Medical Conduct.
- 8. Respondent's conduct and the action of the New York Board as set forth in paragraph 7, above, and within the actual Board documents attached as Exhibit A, constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of section 2305 and conduct subject to discipline within the meaning of section 141(a).

### **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged. and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision:

- Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number A100532, issued to Adam William Levinson, M.D.;
- 2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Adam William Levinson, M.D.'s authority to supervise physician assistants, pursuant to section 3527 of the Code;
- 3. Ordering Adam William Levinson, M.D., if placed on probation, to pay the Board the costs of probation monitoring; and

1	4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.	
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3	DATED: December 30, 2015	
4	KIMBERLY/KIRCHMEY/LR Executive Director Medical Board of California	
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Exhibit A New York State Department of Health, State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, Interim Order, Stipulation and Application for Interim Order, Consent Order, Consent Agreement, Statement of Charges, and Terms of Probation 



ANDREW M. CUOMO Governor

HOWARD A. ZUCKER, M.D., J.D. Commissioner

SALLY DRESLIN, M.S., R.N. Executive Deputy

### CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK ) ss:
COUNTY OF RENSSELAER)

Douglas P. Mackey, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am with the Office of Professional Medical Conduct, New York State Department of Health. I am an officer having legal custody of the records of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct. I, hereby, certify that the enclosed documents are true copies of documents from the files of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct in the case of:

Adam William Levinson, MD NYS medical license # 234878

> Douglas P. Mackey Program Director

Office of Professional Medical Conduct

Sworn to before me this word day of November, 2015

Kathleen S. Roy Notary Public, State of New York Qualified in Rensselaer County Commission expires August 31, 2018 No. 4765175 NEW YORK
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Nirav R. Shah, M.D., M.P.H. Commissioner

HEALTH

Sue Kelly Executive Deputy Commissioner

August 16, 2012

## CERTIFIED MAIL-RECEIPT REQUESTED

Adam W. Levinson, M.D. REDACTED

Re: License #234878

Dear Dr. Levinson:

Enclosed is a copy of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (BPMC) Order No. 12-165. This Interim Order Conditions is effective August 23, 2012.

Please direct any questions to: Board for Professional Medical Conduct, 90 Church Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10007-2919, telephone # 212-417-4445.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

Katherine A. Hawkins, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary Board for Professional Medical Conduct

cc: Paul J. Giancola, Esq.
Snell & Wilmer
One Arizona Center
400 East Van Buren Street, Suite 1900
Phoenix, AZ 85004-2202

Eugene Nathanson, Esq. 30 Vesey Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10007

# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

BPMC No. 12-165

# IN THE MATTER OF ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D.

INTERIM
ORDER
OF CONDITIONS
PURSUANT TO
N.Y. PUB. HEALTH
LAW § 230

Upon the application of ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D. (Licensee) in the attached Stipulation and Application for an Interim Order of Conditions Pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230, which is made a part of this Interim Order of Conditions Pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230, it is agreed that the Application, and its terms, are adopted, and this Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, either

- by mailing of a copy of this Order by first class mail to Licensee at the address in the attached Application or by certified mail to Licensee's attorney, or
- upon facsimile transmission to Licensee or Licensee's attorney, whichever is first.

SO ORDERED.

DATE 8/16/2012

REDACTED

ARTHUR S. HENGERER, M.D.
Chair
State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

# IN THE MATTER OF ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D.

STIPULATION AND APPLICATION FOR AN INTERIM ORDER OF CONDITIONS PURSUANT TO N.Y. PUB. HEALTH LAW § 230

ADAM WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D., represents that all of the following statements are true:

That on or about January 7, 2005, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York and issued License No. 234878 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is	REDACTED		

I am affiliated with the following hospitals and/or facilities:

Mount Sinai Medical Center - summary suspension pending investigation St. John's Riverside Hospital - submitted resignation

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct ("the Board") is investigating alleged misconduct by me, and may pursue a proceeding pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230 with respect to the Issues set forth in attached Exhibit "A" ("matters under investigation").

I agree to the Board's issuance of an Interim Order of Conditions precluding me from practicing medicine in New York State and I agree to be bound by the Order, which shall continue in effect until:

 a determination by the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct that no hearing is warranted; or

- . the resolution by consent order of the matters under investigation; or
- Issuance and service of a Hearing Committee's Determination and Order after the conclusion of a hearing held pursuant to a determination of the Commissioner of Health or the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct. The Hearing Committee's Determination and Order shall replace this Interim Order of Conditions. If either party requests review by the Administrative Review Board, the Hearing Committee's Determination and Order, and any sanction, terms or conditions imposed upon me, shall remain in effect until the ARB renders its determination and shall, in the same manner as a Commissioner's Order pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-c(4), not be subject to a stay.

i understand that nothing in this Application shall be construed as an admission by me of any act of alleged misconduct or as a finding of misconduct as to the matters under investigation. My application for the proposed interim Order is made in consideration of the value to me of the Board's allowing me to continue to provide explanation of the issues under investigation to the Office of Professional Medical Conduct ("OPMC") and, if the Board pursues disciplinary proceedings against me, to allow for additional preparation time. I deny any acts of misconduct and reserve my right to assert all defenses on my behalf in any later or other proceeding.

This interim Order shall set the following Conditions upon my practice:

 Licensee's conduct shall conform to moral and professional standards of conduct and governing law. Any act of professional misconduct by Licensee

- as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law §§ 6530 or 6531 shall constitute a violation of this Order and may subject Licensee to an action pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230.
- 2. Licensee shall provide the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC), Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, Suite 354, Albany, New York 12204-2719 with the following information, in writing, and ensure that this information is kept current: a full description of Licensee's employment and practice; all professional and residential addresses and telephone numbers within and outside New York State; all current and past affiliations and/or privileges, with hospitals, institutions, facilities, medical practices, managed care organizations, and/or applications for such affiliations and/or privileges; and all investigations, arrests, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility. Licensee shall notify OPMC, in writing, within 30 days of any additions to or changes in the required information.
- Licensee shall cooperate fully with OPMC in its administration and enforcement of this Interim Order and in its investigation of Licensee.
  - Licensee shall respond in a timely manner to all OPMC requests for written periodic verification of compliance with the terms of this Interim Order.
  - b. Licensee shall meet in person with the Director's designee, as directed.

- c. Licensee shall respond promptly and provide all documents and information within Licensee's control, as directed. This condition shall take effect upon the effective date of the Interim Order and shall continue while Licensee possesses a license.
- d. Licensee shall maintain complete and legible medical records that accurately reflect the evaluation and treatment of patients.
- 4. The Director may review Licensee's professional performance. This review may include but shall not be limited to a review of office records, patient records and/or hospital charts; and interviews with or periodic visits with Licensee and staff at practice locations or OPMC offices.
- Licensee shall provide access for DOH personnel to Licensee's office(s) to verify Licensee's compliance with this Interim Order, this access shall include, but not be limited to, on-site inspections, observation and interviews.
- Licensee shall comply with this Order and all its terms, and shall bear all
  associated compliance costs.

#### I stipulate that:

My failure to comply with the Conditions imposed by this interim Order shall constitute professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(29); and

Any practice of medicine by me in New York State in violation of this Interim Order shall be unauthorized and constitute professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(2); and

Unauthorized medical practice is a felony as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6512.

I understand and agree that my failure to comply with any of the terms of this interim Order shall authorize the Director, exercising reasonable discretion, to pursue further investigation and/or prosecution of misconduct charges against me as to any misconduct issues, including but not limited to those set forth in Exhibit "A", to the full extent authorized by N.Y. Pub. Health Law and N.Y. Educ. Law.

I agree that, if the Board grants this Application, the Chair of the Board shall issue an Interim Order of Conditions in accordance with its terms. I further agree that the Department of Health shall notify the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Federation of State Medical Boards of this Interim Order of Conditions pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230 and that the change in my licensure status is not disciplinary in nature. This Interim Order of Conditions shall be posted on the Department of Health website(s).

I make this Application of my own free will and not under duress, compulsion or restraint. In consideration of the value to me of the Board's acceptance of this Application, I waive my right to contest the Interim Order for which I apply, whether administratively or judicially, I agree to be bound by the Interim Order, and I ask that the Board grant this Application.

I understand and agree that the attorney for the Department, the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct and the Chair of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct each retain complete discretion either to enter into the proposed agreement and Interim Order, based upon my Application, or to decline to do so. I further understand and agree that no prior or separate written or oral communication can limit that discretion.

DATE 8 9 12

REDACTED

ADAM/WILLIAM LEVINSON, M.D. Licensee

The undersigned agree to Licensee's attached Consent Agreement and to its proposed terms and conditions.

DATE: 8.10.12

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EUGENE NATHANSON, ESQ. Attorney for Licensee

DATE: Aug. 14, 2012

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MARCIA E. KAPLAN

Associate Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: 8/15/12

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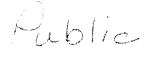
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# Department of Health



ANDREW M. CUOMO Governor

HOWARD A. ZUCKER, M.D., J.D. Commissioner

SALLY DRESLIN, M.S., R.N. Executive Deputy Commissioner

June 19, 2015

### CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Adam W. Levinson, M.D.

Re: License No 234878

Dear Dr. Levinson.

Enclosed is a copy of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (BPMC) Order No. 15-155. This order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect June 26, 2015.

Please direct any questions to Board for Professional Medical Conduct, 90 Church Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10007-2919, telephone # 212-417-4445.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Hawkins, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

#### Enclosure

cc: -

Svetlana Ros, Esq.

Kern Augustine Conroy & Schoppmann, P.C. 865 Merrick Avenue, Suite 200 South

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Westbury NY 11590

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

# IN THE MATTER OF ADAM W. LEVINSON, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

Upon the application of (Respondent) ADAM W. LEVINSON, M.D. in the attached Consent Agreement and Order, which is made a part of this Consent Order, it is

ORDERED, that the Consent Agreement, and its terms, are adopted and it is further

ORDERED, that this Consent Order shall be affective upon asciance by the Board, either by mailing of a copy of this Consent Order, either by first class mail to Respondent at the address in the attached Consent Agreement or by certified mail to Respondent's attorney.

Upon facsimile transmission to Respondent or Respondent's attorney.

SO ORDERED.

DATE: 6/19/2015

ARTHUR S. HENGERER, M.D.

Chair

State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

### IN THE MATTER

OF

ADAM W. LEVINSON, M.D.

CONSENT AGREEMENT

ADAM WILLEVINSON, M.D., represents that all of the following statements are true:

That on or about January 7, 2005, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York, and issued License No. 234376 by the New York State Education Department

and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of access.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (Board) has charged me with one or more specifications of professional misconduct, as set forth in a Statement of Charges, marked as Exhibit "A", attached to and part of this Consent Agreement.

I do not contest the specification, in full satisfaction of the charges against me, and agree to the following penalty:

- Pursuant to New York Pub. Health Law § 230-a(2), my license to practice medicine in New York State shall be suspended for 36 months, with those 36 months stayed.
- Pursuant to New York Pub. Health Law § 230-a(9). I shall be placed on
  probation for <u>60</u> months, subject to the terms set forth in attached Exhibit "B."

Efurther agree that the Consent Order shall impose the following conditions:

That Respondent shall comply with each and every penalty imposed by this Order pursuant to N Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a.

That Respondent shall remain in continuous compliance with all requirements of N.Y. Educ Law § 6502 including but not limited to the requirements that a licensee shall register and continue to be registered with the New York State Education. Department (except during periods of actual suspension) and that a licensee shall pay all registration fees. Respondent shall not exercise the option provided in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6502(4) to avoid registration and payment of fees. This concrtion shall take effect 120 days after the Consent Order's effective date and will continue so long as Respondent remains a licensee in New York State, and

That Respondent shall remain in continuous compliance with all requirements of N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 2995-a(4) and 10 NYCRR 1000.5, including but not limited to the requirements that a licensee shall, report to the department at information required by the Department to develop a public physician profile for the licensee; continue to notify the department of any change in profile information within 30 days of any change (or in the case of optional information, within 365 days of such change); and, in addition to such periodic reports and notification of any changes, update his or her profile information within six months prior to the expiration date of the licensee's registration period. Licensee shall submit changes to his or her physician profile information either electronically using the department's secure web

site or on forms prescribed by the department, and licensee shall attest to the truthfulness, completeness and correctness of any changes licensee submits to the department. This condition shall take effect 30 days after the Order's effective date and shall continue so long as Respondent remains a licensee in New York State. Respondent's failure to comply with this condition, if proven and found at a hearing pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230, shall constitute professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(21) and N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(29). Potential penalties for failure to comply with this condition may include all penalties for professional misconduct set forth in N.Y. Pub. Health Law §230-a, including but not limited to: revocation or suspension of license, Censure and Reprimand, prohation, public service and/or fines of up to \$10,000 per specification of misconduct found; and

That Respondent shall provide the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC), Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, Sulte 355. Albany, New York 12204-2719, with the following information, in writing, and ensure that this information is kept current: a full description of Respondent's employment and practice; all professional and residential addresses and telephone numbers within and outside New York State; and all investigations, arrests, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility. Respondent shall notify OPMC, in writing, within 30 days of any additions to or changes in the required information. This condition shall take effect 30 days after the Order's effective date and shall continue at all times until Respondent receives written notification from the Office of Professional Medical Conduct, Physician

Monitoring Program, that OPMC has determined that Respondent has fully compiled with and satisfied the requirements of the Order, regardless of tolling; and

That Respondent shall cooperate fully with the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) in its administration and enforcement of this Consent Order and in its investigations of matters concerning Respondent. Respondent shall respond in a timely manner to all OPMC requests for written periodic verification of Respondent's compliance with this Consent Order. Respondent shall meet with a person designated by the Director of OPMC, as directed. Respondent shall respond promptly and provide all documents and information within Respondent's control, as directed. This condition shall take offect upon the Board's insuance of the Consent Order and will continue so long as Respondent remains licensed in New York State.

Estipulate that my faiture to comply with any conditions of this Consent Order shall consultate misconduct as defined by N.Y. Educ. Law § 5530(29).

Lagree that, if Lam charged with professional misconduct in future, this Consent Agreement and Order shall be admitted into evidence in that proceeding.

Lask the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement.

I understand that if the Board does not adopt this Consent Agreement, none of its terms shall bind me or constitute an admission of any of the acts of alleged misconduct; this Consent Agreement shall not be used against me in any way and shall be kept in strict confidence; and the Board's denial shall be without prejudice to the pending disciplinary proceeding and the Board's final determination pursuant to the N.Y. Pub. Health Law.

a Consent Order in accordance with its terms. I agree that this Consent Order shall take effect upon its issuance by the Board, either by mailing of a copy of the Consent Order by first class mail to me at the address in this Consent Agreement, or to my attorney by certified mail, OR upon facsimile transmission to me or my attorney, whichever is first. The Consent Order, this agreement, and all attached Exhibits shall be public documents, with only patient identifies, if any, redacted. As public documents, they may be posted on the Department's website. OPMC shall report this action to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Federation of State Medical Boards, and any other entities that the Director of OPMC shall deem appropriate

Health Law §§ 230 and 230-a and that the Board and OPtMC have the requisite powers to carry out all included terms. Leak the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement of my own free will and not under puress, compulsion or restraint. In consideration of the value to me of the Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement, allowing me to resolve this matter without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits. I knowingly waive my right to contest the Consent Order for which Lapply, whether administratively or judicially, Lagree to be bound by the Consent Order, and Lask that the Board adopt this Consent Agreement.

I understand and agree that the attorney for the Department, the Director of OPMC and the Chair of the Board each retain complete discretion either to enter into the proposed agreement and Consent Order, based upon my application, or to decline to do so. I further understand and agree that no prior or separate written or oral communication can limit that discretion.

DATE 6/15/15

PAN WLEVINSON, M.D.

The undersigned agree to Respondent's attached Consent Agreement and to its proposed penalty, terms and conditions.

SVETLANA ROS, ESQ. Attorney for Respondent

NATHANIAL WHITE Assistant Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

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Office of Professional Medical Conduct

# EXHIBIT A

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

OF

ADAM W. LEVINSON, M.D.

STATEMENT

OF

CHARGES

ADAM W. LEVINSON, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about January 7, 2005, by the issuance of license number 234878 by the New York State Education Department.

### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about January 15, 2014, in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York County, Respondent pleaded guilty to one count of Uniawful Surveillance in the second degree, on "El felony in violation of NYS Penal Law Section 250.45(04). On or about March 12, 2014, Respondent was sentenced to 5 years of probation, a \$390.00 surcharge, and a \$50.00 DNA registration fee.

# SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 3536(9)(a)(i) by having been convicted of committing an act constituting a crime under New York state law as alleged in the facts of the following:

The facts in paragraph A.

DATE: April 272 2015 Albany, New York

> MICHAEL A. HISER Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

#### EXHIBIT "B"

#### Terms of Probation

- Respondent's conduct shall conform to moral and professional standards of conduct and governing law. Any act of professional misconduct by Respondent as defined by N.Y. Educ. Law §§ 3530 or 6531 shall constitute a violation of probation and may subject Respondent to an action pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230(19).
- 2) Respondent shall cooperate fully with, and respond in a timely manner to, OPMC requests to provide written periodic verification of Respondent's compliance with the terms of this Consent Order. Upon the Director of OPMC's request, Respondent shall meet in person with the Director's designee.
- Respondent's failure to pay any monetary penalty by the prescribed date shall subject Respondent to all provisions of law relating to debt collection by New York State, including but not limited to: the imposition of interest, late payment charges and collection fees; referral to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance for collection; and non-renewal of permits or licenses [Tax Law § 171(27); State Finance Law § 18; CPLR § 5001; Executive Law § 32].
- The probation period shall toll when Respondent is not engaged in active medical practice in New York State for a period of 36 consecutive days or more. Respondent shall notify the Director of OPMC, in writing, if Respondent is not currently engaged in, or intends to leave, active medical practice in New York State for a consecutive 30 day period. Respondent shall then notify the Director again at least 14 days before returning to active practice. Upon Respondent's return to active practice in New York State, the probation period shall resume and Respondent shall fulfill any unfulfilled probation terms and such additional requirements as the Director may impose as reasonably relate to the matters set forth in Exhibit "A" or as are necessary to protect the public health.
- The Director of OPMC may review Respondent's professional performance. This review may include but shall not be limited to: a review of office records, patient records, hospital charts, and/or electronic records; and interviews with or periodic visits with Respondent and staff at practice locations or OPMC offices.
- Respondent shall adhere to federal and state guidelines and professional standards of care with respect to infection control practices. Respondent shall ensure education, training and oversight of all office personnel involved in medical care, with respect to these practices.
- 7) Respondent shall maintain complete and legible medical records that accurately reflect the evaluation and treatment of patients and contain all information required by State rules and regulations concerning controlled substances.
- Respondent shall enroll in and successfully complete a continuing education program in the area of ethics. This continuing education program is subject to the Director of OPMC's prior written approval and shall be successfully completed within the first 50 days of the probation period.

- 9) Respondent shall comply with this Consent Order and all its terms, and shall bear all associated compliance costs. Upon receiving evidence of noncompliance with, or a violation of, these terms, the Director of OPMC and/or the Board may initiate a violation of probation proceeding, and/or any other such proceeding authorized by law, against Respondent.
- 10) Respondent shall remain active in self-help groups.
- Beginning 30 days after the effective date of the Consent Order's. Respondent shall not be permitted to practice medicine except when monitored by qualified health care professional monitors: a Practice Supervisor, and a Therapist, proposed by Respondent and approved, in writing, by the Director of OPMC. Any medical practice in violation of this term shall constitute the unauthorized practice of medicine,

Within 7 days of learning an approved monitor is no longer willing or able to serve, Respondent shall submit the name of a proposed successor to the Director of OPMC. Monitors shall not be family members or personal friends or be in professional relationships that would pose a conflict with monitoring responsibilities. All monitors shall execute acknowledgment forms provided by OPMC certifying familiarity with Respondent's nistory of mental health diagnosis, with this Order and its terms, and acknowledging a willingness to comply with the monitor's reporting responsibilities regarding Respondent's compliance with the terms of this Order.

- a) Respondent shall ensure that the monitors are familiar with Respondent's history of mental health diagnosis and with the terms of this Order. Respondent shall cause the monitors to report any deviation from compliance with the terms of this Order to CPMC. Respondent shall cause the monitors to submit required reports on a timely basis.
- c) Respondent shall submit to random unannounced observed blood, preath and/or urine screens for the presence of grugs and alcohol (hereafter "drug screen"), when requested by a monitor. Respondent shall report for a drug screen within 4 hours of being contacted by a monitor. Monitors shall report to OPMC immediately if Respondent refuses or delays a test or if a test is positive for alcohol, or any other unauthorized substance.
- c) Respondent shall practice only when supervised in medical practice by a licensed physician (hereafter "Practice Supervisor"). The Practice Supervisor shall be on-site at all locations, unless determined otherwise by the Director of OPMC, and shall be in a position to regularly observe and assess Respondent's medical practice. The Practice Supervisor shall oversee Respondent's compliance with the terms of practice imposed by the Order and Respondent's prescribing, administering, dispensing, inventorying, wasting and disposal of controlled substances. Respondent shall cause the Practice Supervisor to report to OPMC immediately any suspected impairment, inappropriate behavior, questionable medical practice, possible misconduct, or violation by Respondent of any of the terms of this Order. Respondent shall cause the Practice Supervisor to submit quarterly reports to OPMC regarding the quality of

Respondent's medical practice and prescribing practices, any unexplained absences from work, and certifying Respondent's compliance or detailing Respondent's failure to comply with each term imposed.

- d) Respondent shall engage and continue in therapy with a treating health care professional (hereafter "Therapist"). Respondent shall cause the Therapist to submit a proposed treatment plan and quarterly reports to OPMC certifying whether Respondent is in compliance with the treatment plan. OPMC, at its discretion, may provide information or documentation from its investigative files concerning Respondent to Respondent's Therapist. Respondent shall cause the Therapist to report to OPMC immediately if Respondent leaves treatment against medical advice or displays any symptoms of a suspected or actual relapse. Respondent shall cause the Therapist to notify OPMC, in writing, of any itermination of treatment approved by the Therapist, no less than 30 days prior to such termination.
- At the direction of the Director of OPMC, Respondent shall submit to evaluations by a board-certified psychiatrist, licensed mental health practitioner or other health care professional or program designated by the Director (hereafter "Evaluator.") Respondent shall provide the Evaluator with a copy of this Order and copies of all previous treatment records. OPMC, at its discretion, may provide information or documentation from its investigative files concerning Respondent to Respondent's Evaluator. The Evaluator shall report to the Director regarding Respondent's condition and filess or incapacity to practice medicine. Respondent shall comply with all treatment recommendations based upon the evaluation, failure to comply with such treatment recommendations shall constitute professional misconduct.
- 13) Respondent shall enroll, or continue enrollment, in the Committee for Physician Health (CPH) and shall engage in a contract with CPH that defines the terms, conditions and duration of Respondent's recovery program. Respondent shall comply with the contract. Respondent shall give written authorization for CPH to provide the Director of OPMC with all information or documentation requested by OPMC to determine whether Respondent is in compliance with the contract and with this Order, including full access to all records maintained by CPH will respect to Respondent.
  - a) Respondent shall cause CPH to report to OPMC promptly if Respondent refuses to comply with the contract, refuses to submit to treatment or if Respondent's impairment is not substantially alleviated by treatment.
  - Respondent shall cause CPH to report immediately to OPMC if Respondent is regarded at any time to be an imminent danger to the public.